

Summer is here and work on the Provo Canyon Project is moving forward. The Utah Department of Transportation and the project team want to make sure that safety is your top priority when traveling through the construction zone.

Flagging operations are in place on the west and east end of the project limits. Please pay attention to flaggers and remember that they have the same authority as a regulatory sign and if motorists disregard them, they will be cited. Motorists should observe construction zone signs and speed limits until they see an "End of Road Work" sign. Speeding through the construction zone is dangerous and can cause injury to motorists and construction crew members. **The speed limit is 40 mph between the Sundance turn-off (S.R. 92) and the Deer Creek State Park entrance.** Listed below are tips to help motorists stay cool, calm, and collected during the summer construction months.



- Don't tailgate.
- Signal before passing or changing lanes.
- Use horn sparingly.
- Avoid excessive use of cell phones.
- Obey signs and flaggers.
- Plan and assume it will take more time to drive anywhere along the corridor this summer.
- Maintain awareness of your surroundings.
- Think before you react.

### New Road will Feature Split Alignment

This phase of the Provo Canyon Reconstruction Project not only will expand U.S. 189 from a two lane highway to a four-lane divided highway, the corridor will feature a split-alignment from the Sundance turn-off to Horseshoe Bend.

The westbound lanes will be raised 30 feet above the eastbound lanes to allow for safer traffic flow. (See photo simulation to the right.) In order to create the split alignment, construction crews will do the following:



*Existing Roadway Alignment*



*Photo Simulation of Roadway Split Alignment*

### Possible Upcoming Canyon Closures

Excavation on the Provo Canyon Project has been going very well. Full canyon closures have not been in effect since the beginning of the project in February 2005. Beginning mid-summer 2005, full canyon closures may take place Monday through Friday nights between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. as excavation progresses.

These closures will be in place while construction crews excavate the rock face just east of the Deer Creek Dam. To avoid these restrictions, motorists may need to adjust their schedules, utilize I-80 to and from I-15 as an alternate route, and check the following information outlets for the most current information:

- Dial 511 for Real-Time Traffic Information (some phones may require you to dial 1-866-511-UTAH)
- Project Hotline (toll free 24-hour) 1-888-517-8401
- Electronic Signs Near the Project, and along U.S. 40 and I-15

For the latest Provo Canyon Project construction activities, please visit:

**[www.udot.utah.gov/provo-canyon](http://www.udot.utah.gov/provo-canyon)**

Or call the 24-hour automated project information line at:  
1-888-517-8401